Mathematics 216
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Homework 23
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1. Decide if $f: \mathbf{Z} / 7 \mathbf{Z} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z} / 14 \mathbf{Z}$ given by the formula $f\left([x]_{7}\right)=\left[x^{2}\right]_{14}$ is a well-defined function. Be sure to explain your answer fully.
2. Let $n$ be a positive integer. Show that $g: \mathbf{Z} / 2^{n} \mathbf{Z} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z} / 2^{n+1} \mathbf{Z}$ defined by $g\left([x]_{2^{n}}\right)=\left[x^{2}\right]_{2^{n+1}}$ is well-defined.
3. Suppose that $A$ is a finite set, $f: A \rightarrow A$, and $g: A \rightarrow A$. Suppose in addition that $f \circ g: A \rightarrow A$ is a bijection. Prove that $f$ and $g$ are both bijections.
4. Give an explicit example to show that the conclusion to the previous problem is false if $A$ is an infinite set. You need to tell me what you are using for the set $A$, what the functions $f$ and $g$ are, and why neither $f$ nor $g$ are bijections.
